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# Christmas Vespers

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# Lehigh niversity Choral Arts

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Steven Sametz, *Artistic Director*  
Sun Min Lee, *Associate Director*

## CHRISTMAS VESPERS

Packer Memorial Church  
Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
4 o'clock and 8 o'clock pm

### Prelude Music

Ian Tomesch, *University Organist*  
Andrea Wittchen, *harp*

### LEHIGH CHORAL ARTS

**Processional:** *Personet Hodie*

Medieval Carol  
arr. Holst

Mark Schafer and Naakesh Gomanie, *baritones*

On this day earth shall ring  
with the song children sing  
to the Lord, Christ our King,  
born on earth to save us;  
Him the Father gave us.

### Refrain

*Ide-o-o-o, ide-o-o-o,  
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*



His the doom, ours the mirth;  
when He came down to earth,  
Bethlehem saw His birth;  
ox and ass beside Him  
from the cold would hide Him.

*Refrain*

God's bright star, o'er His head,  
Wise Men three to Him led;  
kneel they low by His bed,  
lay their gifts before Him,  
praise him and adore Him.

*Refrain*

On this day angels sing;  
with their song earth shall ring,  
praising Christ, heaven's King,  
born on earth to save us;  
peace and love He gave us.

*Refrain*

### Invocation

The Reverend Peter A. Pettit (4 pm)  
Fr. Christopher Butera (8 pm)

### Hymn: *The First Nowell*

Traditional English Carol

*You are invited to stand and join in the singing of the hymns.*

The first Nowell the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay  
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Refrain*

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell  
Born is the King of Israel!*

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the east beyond them far  
And to the earth it gave great light  
And so it continued both day and night.

*Refrain*

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord  
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught  
and with His blood mankind hath bought.

*Refrain*

### Reading I: Psalm 46 1-4; 8-10

Brooke Lautt (4 pm) Sage Herrick (8 pm)

### LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHOIR

*Sicut Cervus (As pants the deer)* Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina  
(Sung in Latin)

Quinn Furnald, conductor (4 pm) ♦Christopher Palmer, conductor (8 pm)

*As the deer pants for streams of running water*

*So my soul pants for you, my God.*

### Peace on Earth

Steven Sametz

♦Nadine Clopton, ♦Jillian Cowles,  
♦Casey Durso, ♦Mandy McHale – soloists

Two deer  
cross a field  
in the stillness  
of winter –  
do they run toward  
the embrace  
of the wood,

away  
from the hunter,  
or simply free?

At this end-time  
we rush to  
tomorrow,  
away from  
yesterday,  
and pause

on this day-  
to listen  
for the timeless.



**Reading II: Luke 2: 8-14**

Dan Furnald (4 pm)     Ryan Cole (8 pm)

**LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHORAL ARTS**

*Sanctus*  
(Sung in Latin)

Benjamin Britten

Kalyani Singh, *soprano*

*Holy, Holy Holy,  
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

**Hymn: Joy to the World**

Georg Frideric Handel

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:  
Let us our songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love.

**LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHOIR**

*A Bethlehem Carol*

Paul Salerni

Peace! through the deep of night  
The heavenly choir breaks forth,  
Singing with festal songs and bright,  
Our God and Savior's birth.

The cave of Bethlehem  
Those wakeful shepherds seek;  
Let us too rise and greet with them  
That infant pure and meek.

We enter at the door,  
What marvel meets the eye?  
A crib, a mother pale and poor,  
A child of poverty.

Yea, faith through that dim cloud  
Like lightning darts before,  
And greets Thee, at Whose footstool bowed  
Heaven's trembling hosts adore.

So shall Thy birthday morn,  
Lord Christ, our birthday be,  
Then greet we all, ourselves new-born,  
Our King's Nativity.

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*Jubilate Deo (Praise the Lord)*

William Walton

Hanna Schulman, *soprano*

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before His presence with a song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord He is God;  
it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves;  
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.



O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving  
and into His courts with praise;  
be thankful unto Him, and speak good of His Name.  
For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting;  
and His truth endureth from generation to generation.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

-Psalm 100

**Reading III: The Birth of Jesus** A Latin Infancy Gospel (2d century)  
Kathleen Conohan (4 pm) Elizabeth Doles, '85 (8 pm)

### DOLCE - THE LEHIGH UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE

*Heaven's Highest Treasure*

Steven Sametz

♦Jillian Cowles, *soprano*  
Matogba Nelson, *mezzo-soprano*

From the highest heavens adoring  
To the lowliest manger calling:  
As a whisper, starlight falling,  
Angel voices enthralling,

Lo beneath heaven's splendor,  
Softly above a star shines down on oxen lowing,  
To the manger  
Come shepherds fearful,  
Wisemen heedful,  
Incense bestowing,

See there:  
The maiden of modesty,  
Cradling the Infancy  
Love appearing.

Brought to earth  
This gift of such majesty  
Blessed for eternity

Lord of Love we greet Thee  
Lying in the manger sweetly.

Let us gather  
Near Thee by the straw,  
Lift our eyes to  
Heav'n and gaze in awe;  
Open our hearts and minds  
To the eternal law,  
Come behold meek and holy  
The God of All.

Heav'n and earth,  
Gift of salvation for us assured.  
Join the angel song,  
Rings each chorus:

"Born for us: here below,  
God bestows  
Heaven's highest treasure."

### *Pat-A-Pan*

Traditional Burgundian Carol  
arr. Conte

Lauren Furst, *piccolo* ♦Christopher Palmer, *percussion*

Willie, bring your little drum; Robin bring your flute and come;  
And be merry while you play, Tu-re-lu-re-lu, Pat-a-pat-a-pan,  
And be merry while you play, on the joyful Christmas day!

When the men of olden days to the King of Kings gave praise,  
On the fife and drum did play, Tu-re-lu-re-lu, Pat-a-pat-a-pan,  
On the fife and drum did play, on this joyful Christmas day!

God and man today become more in tune than fife and drum;  
So be merry while you play, Tu-re-lu-re-lu, Pat-a-pat-a-pan,  
And be merry while you play, on the joyful Christmas day!



## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHORAL ARTS

### *Ding-Dong Merrily on High*

Lauren Furst, *piccolo*

Traditional Carol

Ding Dong! merrily on high  
In heav'n the bells are ringing  
Ding, dong! verily the sky  
Is riv'n with angel singing.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis*

E'en so here below, below  
Let steeple bells be swungen  
And i-o, i-o, i-o  
By priest and people be sungen.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis*

Pray ye dutifully prime  
Your matin chime, ye ringers  
May ye beautifully rime  
Your evetime song, ye singers.  
*Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis.*

**Reading IV: from "Heaven Cannot Hold Him"** Christina Rossetti  
Joseph Manzo, *Professor of Practice, College of Business* (4 pm)  
Nadine Sine, *Chair, Department of Music* (8 pm)

## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY MEN'S GLEE CLUB

### *A Christmas Lullaby (Suo Gân)* (Premiere)

Samuel Evers, *tenor*

Welsh Carol  
arr. Sametz

Infant Savior, softly resting,  
gently sleep in Mary's arms.  
Child of blessing, soft caressing,  
guarded now from woe and harm.

Ox and ass shall warm the manger,  
shepherds gather 'round in awe.  
Angels keep Thee safe from danger,  
cradled there amidst the straw.

"Hush, my darling, hush, my sweeting,"  
sang the Virgin mother, kind.  
"Sleep shall charm thee, little Savior,  
God incarnate, God divine."

Ox and ass shall warm the manger,  
angels fill the skies above.  
"Sleep shall charm thee, little Savior,  
God incarnate, God of love."

*Hail Thou God of love.*

*Nowell Sing We, Both All and Some*  
(Premiere)

Traditional British Carol  
arr. Sametz

*Refrain*

*Nowell sing we both all and some,  
now Rex pacificus is y come [The King of peace, is He come]*

Exortum est in love and liss [He is arisen in love and joy]  
Now Christ His grace he gan us giss,  
And with His body us bought to bliss  
Both all and some  
*Refrain*

De fructu ventris [the fruit of the womb] of Mary bright  
Both God and man in her alight,  
Out of disease He did us dight [deliver]  
Both all and some.  
*Refrain*

Gloria tibi ay and bliss, [thine is the glory ever and bliss]  
God unto His grace He us wiss, [instructs]  
The rent [riches] of heaven that we not miss,  
Both all and some  
*Refrain*



## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHOIR

### Reading V: O Beautiful Star

R. Fisher Boyce

Deborah Sacarakis, *Artistic Director, Zoellner Arts Center* (4 pm)

Seth Witcher (8 pm)

### A Christmas Spiritual Medley

Traditional Spirituals

arr. Jennings-Sametz

Dom Behe, ♦Nadine Clopton, ♦Casey Durso, Olivia Lee, ♦Mandy  
McHale, Maggie Norsworthy, Madison Schenker, Sam Smith,  
Casey Snyder, Zehui Xiao, ♦Brian Logsdon, Drew Cellini,  
Jack Wheatley – *soloists*

There's a star in the east on Christmas morn.

Rise up shepherd and follow.

It'll lead to the place where the Savior's born.

Leave your sheep and leave your lambs.

Rise up shepherd and follow.

Leave your ewes and leave your rams.

Rise up shepherd and follow.

There was no room found in the inn.

It is the star of Bethlehem

For Him who was born free from sin.

Behold that star up yonder

It is the star of Bethlehem.

Sweet little Jesus boy,

They made you be born in a manger

Sweet litt' Holy Chil'

Didn't know who you was.

It was poor little Jesus

Born on a Christmas

Laid in a manger

I ask you wasn't that a pity and a shame.

Now tell me what month was my Jesus born in?

Last month of the year.

Now was it January? No! No!

February? No! No!

March, April, May? No! No! No!

June or July, August, September,

October, November, but the twenty-fifth day of December

Well the last month of the year!

Children go where I send thee.

How shall I send thee?

One for the little bitty Baby

Born of the Virgin Mary

Wrapped in swaddling clothin'

Layin' in a manger,

Born in Bethlehem.

Go tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and ev'rywhere.

Go tell it on the mountain  
that Jesus Christ is born.

### Reading VI: Psalm 150

Paul Smith (4 pm)

Isaiah Morales (8 pm)

### Psalm 148

arr. Gustav Holst

Lord, Who hast made us for Thine own,

Hear as we sing before Thy throne. *Alleluia.*

Accept Thy children's rev'rent praise

For all Thy wondrous works and ways. *Alleluia.*

Waves, rolling in on ev'ry shore,

Pause at His footfall and adore. *Alleluia.*

Ye torrents rushing from the hills,

Bless Him Whose hand your fountains fills. *Alleluia.*

Earth, ever through the pow'r divine,

Seedtime and harvest shall be thine. *Alleluia.*

Sweet flow'rs that perfume all the air,

Thank Him that He hath made you fair. *Alleluia.*

Burn lamps of night, with constant flame,

Shine to the honour of His name. *Alleluia.*

Thou sun, whom all the lands obey,

Renew His praise from day to day. *Alleluia.*



## ***Lo How A Rose***

Michael Praetorius  
arr. Sametz

◆Nadine Clopton, soprano

*Lehigh is proud of its long tradition of choral singing. The singing of Praetorius's "Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming" dates back more than sixty years, when the men's Glee Club sang it annually under the direction of Robert ("Boss") Cutler. Since coming to Lehigh, Steven Sametz has built on this tradition, offering a newly arranged version of this Lehigh classic each year as a present to both the singers of Lehigh University Choral Arts and to our friends and families who come to hear and support us.*

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender root hath sprung,  
Of Jesse's lineage coming as men of old have sung,  
It came a flow'ret bright  
Amidst the cold of winter when half spent was the night.  
Isaiah 'twas foretold it, this Rose I have in mind,  
With Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind,  
To show God's love aright  
She bore to us a Savior  
When half-spent was the night.

## **Benediction**

The Reverend Peter A. Pettit (4 pm)  
Fr. Christopher Butera (8 pm)

## ***Alleluia-Amen***

Steven Sametz

- ◆ Lehigh Choral Arts Scholar
- ◇ Shabaker Choral Scholar

***Lehigh University Choral Arts***  
Steven Sametz, Artistic Director  
Sun Min Lee, Associate Director

*Sohee Lee and Susan Frickert, rehearsal accompanists*

## **LEHIGH UNIVERSITY CHORAL ARTS**

**Lehigh University Choral Arts** is comprised of four ensembles: The 73-voice mixed University Choir; the 150-voice Choral Union, which brings together community members with Lehigh University students, faculty and staff; the women's ensemble Dolce; and the men's Glee Club, which goes back to the time of Lehigh's founding. Singers of Lehigh University Choral Arts present works from the Middle Ages through premieres of compositions written specially for them. Lehigh Choral Arts is regularly heard around the world, presenting music from Lehigh on tours to Asia, Europe, Central America and the US. One of the oldest collegiate traditions in the country, Lehigh Choral Arts will be celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> year in 2019.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### ***Choral Union***

Robert Smith – President  
Charis Lasky – Production Coordinator  
Joseph Manzo – Course Coordinator  
Pat Chase – Alumni Coordinator

### ***University Choir***

Quinn Furnald – Manager  
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## Dolce

Kelly Seims – *Manager*  
Kalyani Singh – *Assistant Manager*  
Karlynn Miler – *Production Coordinator*

## Glee Club

Alec Douglass – *Manager*  
Dom Behe – *Assistant Manager*  
Jake Ullman – *Librarian*  
Dezhen (Daniel) Kong – *Historian*

## Assisting Artists

### Trumpets

Andrew Kissling  
Alex Schmauk  
Jeffrey Wohlbach

### Cymbals

Corydon Zousias

### Timpani

Craig Mandelbaum

## Choral Scholarship Programs

Each year, Lehigh Choral Arts recruits the finest of our nation's high school singers to be part of our program. The Cutler-Sametz Lehigh Choral Arts Scholarship is a merit-based stipend open to all majors in the University by audition. Through our scholarship outreach program, we have brought over thirty scholars to Lehigh. Interested singers may get more information at [www.lehighchoralarts.com](http://www.lehighchoralarts.com).

The Teufel Scholarship Fund provides vocal scholarships for student singers in the University Choir. We are additionally grateful to the Sebastian, Finkel, Dyer and Shabaker family funds for their generous support of Lehigh Choral Arts.

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## Lehigh University Choral Arts Personnel

### SOPRANO

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Samuel Evers \*/♣/♣  
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Christopher Palmer \*/♣/◊  
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Jack Wheatley \*/♣/!  
Surge Zhu

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Thomas Siggillino \*/♣  
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Vincent Taylor \*/♣  
Jake Ullman \*/♣/!  
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Gerry Zimmerman  
Corydon Zousias \*/♣/♣



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Lehigh University Choir, Glee Club and Dolce

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April 6-7, 2018    8 pm Baker Hall

Lehigh University Choral Arts

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Joy Hirokawa, *director*

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